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Applicant(s):	Carl A. WALDSPURGER	§	Confirmation No.:	1926
Serial No.:	09/540,952	§	Group Art Unit:	2122
Filed:	03/31/2000	§	Examiner:	C.O. Kendall
For:	Efficient, Transparent And Flexible Latency Sampling	§	Docket No.:	200301702-1

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Date: February 18, 2004

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed with a Request for Continued Examination in response to the final Office Action dated November 19, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 below.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 below.